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WEST GERMANY - GREECE: The controversy in the Western European Union regarding the construction in West Germany of four 1,000-ton submarines for Greece apparently has been resolved with tacit WEU approval. German arms manufacture is limited by the WEU Treaty to 450-ton submarines, but in 1963 an exception was granted permitting construction of six 1,000-ton submarines, presumably for the German Navy. This exception was not used, and the Germans are now citing it to justify the construction for Greece which is well under way. Allowing the Germans to use the old exception eliminates the need for further WEU discussion regarding arms for Greece--a topic many European countries would like to avoid.

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